



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 23, 2005, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages. Applicant files concurrently herewith a Request for Continued Examination, requesting entry of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 filed on February 23, 2006, along with this Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c). A Petition for a two month extension of time is being concurrently filed making a response timely by April 23, 2006.

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 are pending in the application. Claim 3 was previously canceled.

Reconsideration and review of the claims on the merits are respectfully requested.

Response to Claim Rejection - 35 U.S.C. § 103